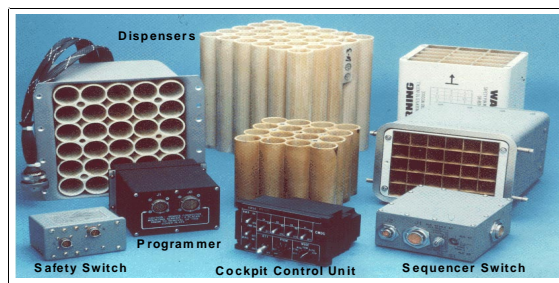


Acquisition Reform Success Story



ALE-47 Countermeasure Dispenser System (CMDS)

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Program Description

The ALE-47 Countermeasure Dispenser System is an integrated, reprogrammable, computer controlled system to dispense expendables/decoys to enhance aircraft survivability. ALE-47 is managed at the Aeronautical Systems Center (ASC/LN).

How Acquisition Streamlining Made a Difference

- First to introduce Contractor Accountability in Design (CAID).
- Integrated the Integrated Product Teams (IPTs) with DPRO -- much quicker negotiations.
- On the forefront of logistics reduction - reduced 3 software versions to 1.
- Setting the standard for judicious implementation of commercial parts -- major reduction in unit costs.
- Requirements definition to fully definitized FFP contract mod in just two months on an urgent and compelling purchase of 22 systems for C-17 aircraft to support Bosnian pull-out.
- 36 months of deliveries on schedule and under cost -- while achieving a 50% reduction in unit cost!!

Measure	FROM	TO
Program Office Manning	25	7
Military Standards and Specifications Used	28	20
Statement of Work Pages	19	14
Contract Data Requirements (CDRLs)	44	23
Projected Average Unit Price *	\$45K	\$30K ↓

*F-16 Shipset

Bottom Line: Reduced the number of CDRLs and MILSPECS/ STDS used and introduced CAID (doing it **better**), integrated IPTs with the DPRO (doing it **faster**), and reduced the projected average unit price (doing it **cheaper**).